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- [X] Extension of time fee in the amount of \$1,020.00
- [] Additional claim fees of &@ for excess claims submitted in the enclosed Amendment, calculated as follows:

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- [X] Firm check(s) totaling \$2,810.00 is enclosed herewith.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. &@) as noted below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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 - [X] Any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17.
 - [X] In the event that a Petition for Extension of Time is required, but not enclosed, please charge any extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to our Deposit Account noted above.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

This is in further response to the final Office Action dated January 10, 2005 (Paper No. 01062005) and in response to the Advisory Action dated April 22, 2005 (Paper No. 04182005). This response is being timely submitted by July 11, 2005 (July 10, 2005 being a Sunday) in view of the simultaneous filing of a Petition for Extension of Time (three months). Further, the finality of the outstanding Office Action has been removed in view of the simultaneous filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows: